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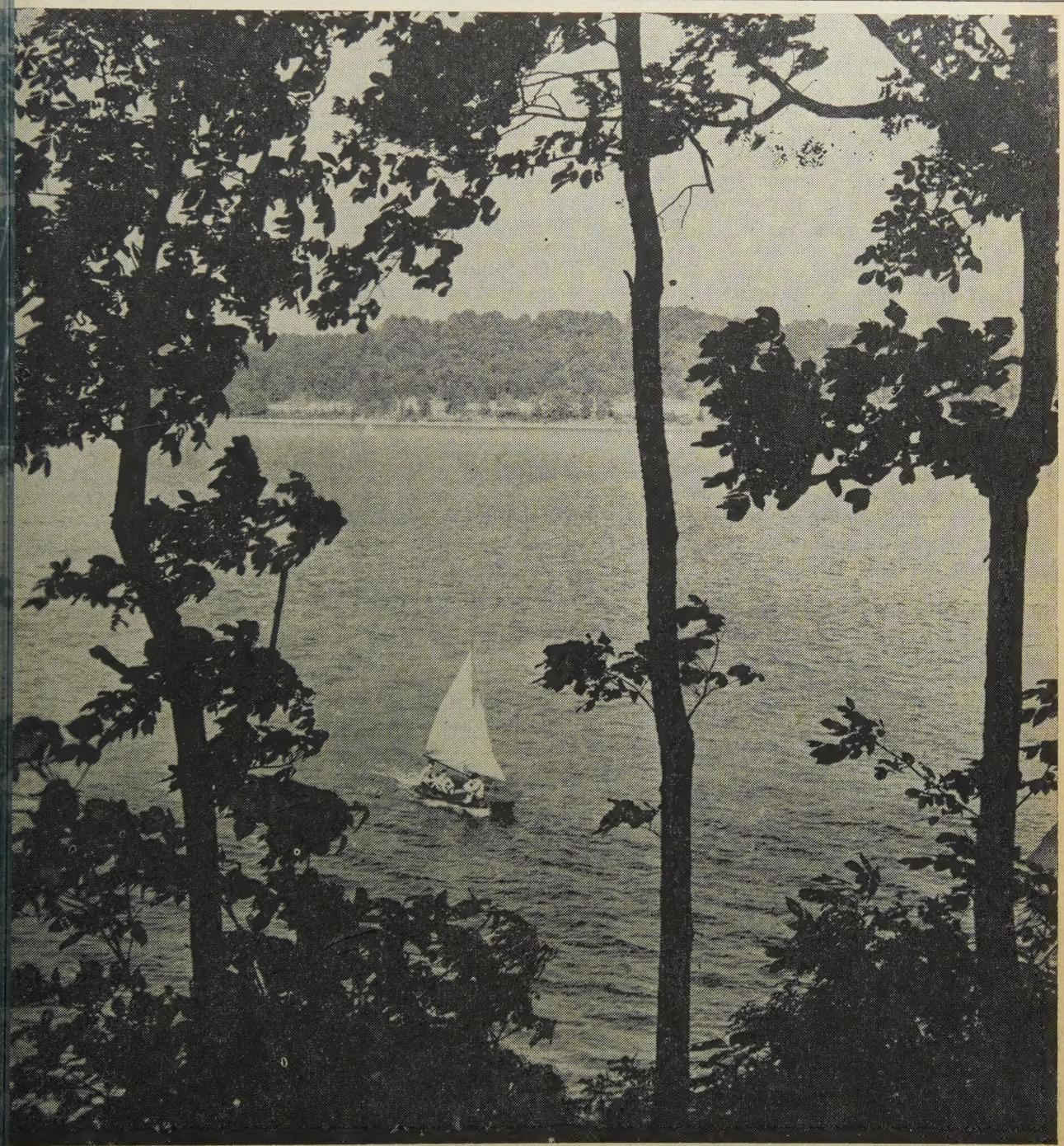

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VACATION DAYS

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PERSONS

Trygve R. Skarsten, who after his graduation in 1953 from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, has been doing post graduate work in Oslo, Norway, was ordained June 30 at Zion Church, Staten Island, N. Y., by District President Anderson. His parish will be Bethlehem Church in Elizabeth, N. J.

The Rev. Arnold R. Nelson, pastor of rural Calvary Church, Lee, Ill., since 1946, has accepted a call to New Era, Mich., to begin his pastorate there Sept. 1. He will also be the manager of Stony Lake Bible Camp, owned by Lower Michigan Circuit.

The Rev. Robert Cordes, Parshall, N. Dak., and **the Rev. Paul Sather,** Baltic, S. Dak., have in their respective areas been chosen state chairmen for the All Lutheran Food Appeal, the headquarters of which now are in Minneapolis.

The Rev. Oliver C. Carlson, Shepherd, Mont., has accepted a call to missionary service in Madagascar. Commissioned in Shepherd July 18, he and his family will sail for France Sept. 22.

The Rev. A. C. Towne, associate pastor of St. Olaf Church, Detroit, Michigan, has accepted a call to Huron, S. Dak., and will move to this field in August.

Knut Norstog, who taught biology at Luther College 1949-51, has been appointed professor of biology at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio. During the last two years he has been studying for his Ph.D. degree at Michigan University, as fellow of the National Science Foundation.

The Rev. Gordon V. Tollefson, Missoula, Montana, has been called to Granada Hills, Calif., a new Home Mission field.

The Rev. Glenn Vanderbilt, Franksville, Wis., has accepted a call to St. John's-Hauge parish near Decorah, Iowa. There he will succeed the Rev. Virgil Hougen, who is moving to Decorah as manager of the Aase Haugen Home and of the Sunset Home at Calmar.

The Rev. A. P. Tiedemann, Elk Point, S. Dak., will by Sept. 1 move to his new parish in Cooperstown, N. Dak.

The Rev. A. H. Amundson, pastor at Opheim, Montana, since 1952, began July 1 his new work as field representative of Immanuel Lutheran Home, Kalispell, Montana.

The Rev. B. T. Gabrielsen, since 1937 pastor of Denny Park Church, Seattle, Wash., began Aug. 1 serving as superintendent of Sunset Home, Eugene, Oregon.

The Rev. Stewart Govig has since July 1 been pastor at Grand Marais, Minn.

The Rev. Cameron P. Hoff, formerly a chaplain with the First Marine Division, has since June 1 been the pastor of Mt. Olive Church, Santa Monica, Calif.

The Rev. Joseph Johnson will by Sept. 1 terminate a 33-year ministry in Trinity Church, Jamestown, N. Dak., and move to Kalispell, Mont.

The Rev. S. O. Sorlien, Hayward, Minn., has accepted a call to Lake Crystal, Minn., and will be installed there Aug. 29.

The Rev. Vernon T. Tweedt, Bowdon, N. Dak., has accepted a call to Sinai, S. Dak. He will begin his pastorate there Sept. 1.

The Rev. C. J. Field, Fisher, Minn., has accepted a call to Hatton, N. Dak.

The Rev. Leonard E. Smestad, pastor since 1951 of Nazareth Church, Minneapolis (now merged with Bethel Church), has moved to Our Saviour's-Pleasant Valley-Golden Valley parish, Park River, N. Dak. Before leaving the Minneapolis parish June 27 he was given a farewell reception by the Bethel-Nazareth Church.

The Rev. Paul A. Boe is serving as interim pastor of Our Saviour's Church, Stanley, Wis.

The Rev. Eldred R. Peterson, lately assistant pastor of Grace Church, Chicago, is now pastor at Hawkins, Wis.

Mr. Kent Finanger, a member of the Luther College faculty, Decorah, Iowa, was in the early part of the summer married to Miss Lucia Engelstad, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. C. N. Engelstad, Chicago.

The Rev. Frederick I. Schmidt, pastor of Bethel Church, Madison, Wis., will assume his new duties as president of the Eastern District Sept. 1. June 18 he married Miss Helen vorson of Madison. The Schmidts have their home in Oak Park, Ill.

The Rev. Marcus Gravdal, Claire, Wis., who has been first president of the Young People's ther League, will become preside that organization Sept. 1, when present president, the Rev. Carro Hinderlie, now of Watertown, S. D becomes YPLL youth director; he serve during the remainder of P Hinderlie's term. **The Rev. B. L. I sen,** Los Gatos, Calif., will take P Gravdal's place as first vice-presi

The Rev. L. A. Mathre has resi from his parish at Lodi, Wis., t cept the position as manager of Story City Old People's Home, S City, Iowa.

The Rev. S. G. Hauge termin June 27 his 54-year pastorate of H ley and Lysne churches, Hawley, M He will continue to serve three c churches of the parish: Gran, Pa and Rollag, up to Sept. 1.

The Rev. Arthur M. Olson, for ly of Norway, Iowa, was installed 1 as pastor of Liberty Church, Mi apolis, Minn., by the Rev. I. O. K stad.

The Rev. Alvin H. Rogen, having completed a year's clinical t ing for the institutional chaplainc now serving as Protestant chaplai the Montana State Prison, Deer Lo the State Sanitarium at Galen; and State Hospital at Warmsprings. address is Warmsprings, Montana. is the first full-time trained chaplai work at the Montana institut named.

Albert E. Anderson, sales man of Augsburg Publishing House circulation manager of **Lutheran H ald** was married to Miss Del Wennblom at Hudson, S. Dak., 17.

Gerard M. Oien, lately acting d tor of ELC Films, has succeeded late A. J. Skaarsheim as chief acco ant of the ELC. **A. Ray Johnson** is new acting ELC Films manager.

The Rev. Oliver L. N. Wigdahl, tor at Lake Andes, S. Dak., since 1 is now pastor at Meckling, S. Dak.

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Plaque Carved in "Luther Tree"

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National Lutheran Council

ıe remaining trunk of the famed Luther elm, a tree ıt grew for 450 years out of a beginning shrouded in ɾend, has been transformed into a lasting monument in nor of the sixteenth century reformer, with whose me it has been inseparably associated.

A bas-relief sculpture, showing Martin Luther before Diet of Worms in 1521, has been sunk into the re-ining trunk of the old tree in the parish house garden Pfiffligheim, facing the main highway.

The background of the sculptured scene is the Luther n as it was at the peak of its day, before lightning uck it in 1871 and broke its top. The crown of the ılptured elm carries the Luther Rose, emblem of the ıtheran World Federation.

According to tradition, the elm first served Martin ıther in 1521 by giving him shade on his way to the eful Diet of Worms.

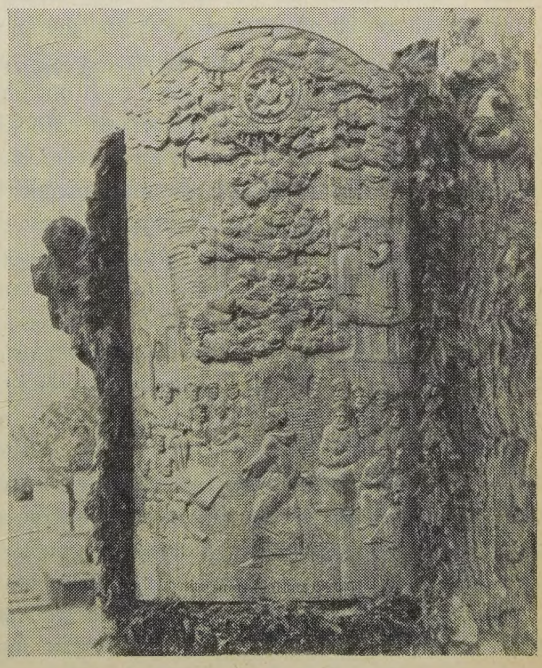
The wood of the old tree, dead since 1949, served ıtherans in 1952-53 by yielding material for the carving Luther roses and Luther plaques, sold to raise funds rebuild the 1,100-year-old St. Magnus Church at orms, oldest Protestant church in Southern Germany, and the site of Luther's worship during his trial before Emperor Charles V and the Diet.

The church, which had been destroyed in an air raid in 1945, was reconstructed and rededicated in 1953.

Only the wood of the branches and the upper part of the trunk was used for the carving of souvenirs. The remaining trunk was "embalmed" to preserve it from further decay, and, on the initiative of the Rev. Alfred Herrnbrodt, in whose parsonage it stands, was used as a base for the bas-relief. Mr. Herrnbrodt was also the originator of the "Luther Roses for Luther Church" drive. The bas-relief was sculptured by Mr. G. Nommemacher, who was also the author of the widely distributed Luther Rose buttons, carved of the same tree.

The figures in the middle-right part of the bas-relief illustrate the most popular legend concerned with the old tree, the story which claims that two women were discussing the Diet of Worms in 1521, and one stuck her stick in the earth saying, "Luther's teachings are as true as it is true that this stick will grow leaves and roots." The stick did grow leaves and roots, the legend has it, and became the Luther elm.

Trunk of the Luther Elm



Luther Plaque

It's an Urgent Appeal

Hermann W. Sie
First Vice Presi
American Lutheran Ch

Again we are being asked to share some of our blessings with those who are unfortunate victims of war devastations and to give to an All-Lutheran Food Appeal.

"Why?" some of us ask. "Isn't the urgency of the appeal exaggerated and overdrawn? Can it be that our help is still so much needed—nine years after the guns of World War II were silenced?"

I was one of eight Lutheran church workers sent to Europe last January and February to interview refugees, and I am sure that the eight of us who saw conditions there at first hand would declare in united chorus:

"No. A thousand times no! The appeal is not exaggerated!"

What has been written and said about the great strides made by the West German economy is true. But the common run of people there is not our problem. Our problem is to help the refugees, and there are still three thousand refugee camps in West Germany today.

Seventy-three of these are located in Berlin, where my wife and I were stationed for nearly four weeks. In Berlin alone 300 to 500 refugees cross the border to freedom every day. Sometimes the number swells to a thousand daily. And these people come with nothing in their hands. They have fled from house and home, leaving all behind.

The German Church and the German people have heroically attempted to solve the problem on their doorsteps. But the German soil can not produce enough to feed these hungry coming to them in a never-ending stream.

Emigration to other countries has been going on at a steady pace. The United States Congress has voted to allow over two hundred thousand to enter the U. S. in the next three years.

All of this is wonderful help. But when we consider that 300,000 crossed the Berlin border alone last year we can easily see how difficult it is to make progress.

Berlin has thousands of fleeing refugees who for reasons of background and former connections are not acceptable in Western Germany and therefore not eligible for a job or housing. Yet, they are not forced to return to the fearful land they deserted but are given refuge camps and are fed.

The accomplishments of the German Hilfswerk simply gigantic. Yet they could not have carried their great Christian enterprise without the aid fr America and other countries. Nor could they possi cope with the situation alone now. If our hand of l should wax feeble and weak at this point, sufferi would increase immeasurably.

Last year, when the influx of refugees to Berlin w particularly great, Mrs. Julius Bodensieck, then rep senting Lutheran World Relief in Berlin, called for he They simply had to have fats. At that time it was g good fortune in Iowa that our Lutheran people had j shipped a large carload of lard to Berlin. The pra was answered before it was uttered.

All of these facts lead me to declare here:

(1) We need a strong Food Appeal, because witho it we would be depriving hungry mouths of daily bre Obviously it is difficult to determine whether Food A peal gifts or World Action gifts saved a particular li It is clear, however, that supplies are always short spite of the double effort, and let us not forget that L theran World Action concentrates its efforts, not gathering food, but on undergirding *all* efforts of reli

If you have never stood in a refugee camp where ch dren stand in long soup lines to receive only the bar necessities, you can hardly visualize what it means supply the minimum needs at every meal. We saw o camp where four hundred children were playing t best they could in dark, damp, cold halls or passagewa and falling in line for their plate of soup.

(2) We need a strong Food Appeal, because what w give keeps the hearts of these pitiable people susceptib to the Christian message. Let us not minimize th point.

An uprooted people, torn away from its anchorages a home Church, an ordered Church life, the regul practice of religion, has a tremendous problem in mai taining daily communion with God. Besides, the fai

the providence of a just and righteous God has been erely shaken.

The fact that most of this help comes from the Chris-ns in America, the country of their former enemy who eated them, simply overwhelms them. This con-cing hand must not grow cold.

(3) We need a strong Lutheran Food Appeal, because st of the refugees are Lutheran. Eighty-eight per cent Russian-occupied Eastern Germany is Lutheran.

"Do good unto all men, especially to those of the usehold of faith," says St. Paul. What a calamity it uld be to let them down.

(4) We need a Lutheran Food Appeal because it helps tain a valiant ministry in the East Zone.

Do we know that if a Lutheran pastor flees from the st Zone he loses his standing as a pastor? This is done demonstrate to the Communists that there is a higher alty than the terrorizing loyalty to Communism, mely the loyalty of love to Christ which voluntarily ches beyond death if need be.

And do we know that these pastors receive a salary ounting to twenty dollars a month in our money? thout relief aid they would be incapable of carrying We are helping these saints of God in the fierce r of the Spirit.

(5) We need a strong Lutheran Food Appeal because have enough to share. Our tremendous responsibility Americans makes me shudder when I think, as I ve read somewhere, that while we have only five cent of the world's population in America, we are in ssession of fifty per cent of the world's food supply. We all live like rich men, in luxury and without want.

The statement of Christ in the final Judgment is aimed at the possessors in relation to the dispossessed or "have-nots": "I was hungry and you gave me no meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me no drink, naked and ye clothed me not."

(6) We need a Food Appeal to encourage the spirit of freedom. The flood of refugees flows to the free world, away from the circumstances of fear and slavery, not in the other direction. Christians have a bond of fellowship and mutual help which must never be broken. Every morsel of food given in Christ's name encourages the heart to believe in Him with whom alone there is true freedom.

The Churches of America have done magnificently. Lutheran World Relief has shipped more than thirty million dollars worth of supplies across the water. It is a wonderful record. Who can count the blessings which have come and do come to the world through this mighty action! Let us not grow weary in well-doing.

The All-Lutheran Food Appeal in 1953 demonstrated what we Lutherans can do unitedly. I want to thank you all for the Christian support which you so generously afforded. God has blessed our land beyond all that we deserve. As He lets us harvest again from our verdant soil, let us gather in once more a portion for the helpless victims of circumstances, and thereby let us uphold the arms of the faithful messengers in the East Zone of Germany who in that dangerous land proclaim the saving Good News of the Redeemer.

A Progress Report

ON THE DEACONESS TRAINING SCHOOL

the General Conventions of 1950 and 1952 The angelical Lutheran Church gave certain instructions the Board of Christian Education concerning the es-blishment of an institute for the training of deaconesses d other workers in the Church. The chief points in se instructions by the Church were:

(1) The Board of Education shall appoint a Com-ssion on the Diaconate; at least three of its members be women.

(2) The Commission on the Diaconate shall function a subsidiary of the Board of Christian Education.

(3) An institute for the training of deaconesses and ier church workers shall be established in the Twin ities.

(4) The Board of Trustees of The Evangelical Lu-ran Church is authorized to provide up to $35,000 the acquisition of property suitable for a center for deaconesses.

(5) The Commission on the Diaconate is granted an annual appropriation up to $12,000 for the biennium 1953-54 for current operations.

In compliance with these resolutions the Board of Christian Education appointed the following as members of the Commission on the Diaconate: Dr. J. A. Aasgaard, ex officio member; Dr. J. C. K. Preus, Department of Christian Education; Dr. Magnus Dahlen, Department of Charities; Mr. A. J. Watland, then chairman of the Board of Trustees; Mrs. Roy O. Storvick, president of the Women's Missionary Federation; Miss Arlette Pederson, Augustana College; Deaconess Margot Ness, Concordia College; Deaconess Marie Rorem of Chicago in advisory capacity; Dr. Martin Anderson and Dr. N. O. Brink, representatives from the Church Council.

At a series of meetings the Commission studied and discussed the problem of the proposed institute. It ap-

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pointed sub-committees to study possible curricula for such an institute and to investigate properties suitable for the proposed deaconess center. Members of the Commission visited comparable institutions of other Lutheran church bodies. Called in for consultation were deaconesses, pastors, and parish workers, together with college and seminary professors, whose work and experience in one way or another closely related to the problem under consideration.

Step by step in its studies, consultations, and investigations, the Commission arrived at a series of conclusions:

(1) The deaconess of today should have a degree from one of our church colleges, or its equivalent.

Having come to this conclusion, the Commission was confronted with the fact that The Evangelical Lutheran Church has no college in the Twin Cities. Would the Church be satisfied to have its deaconesses receive their education at other institutions, colleges, and universities? The Commission concluded it would not.

Would it be acceptable and practicable to have prospective deaconesses take three years of work at any one of our colleges and then spend the fourth year at a designated college, living together in a deaconess center, under appropriate supervision and with special guidance and instructions? After careful consideration and extensive consultation, the Commission came to the conclusion that this would not be a feasible arrangement, especially from the point of view of the colleges and the students involved. By a process of elimination and with the very capable and expert help of Dr. Orville Dahl of the Education Office and Dr. E. Clifford Nelson of Luther Seminary, a plan was finally drawn up, approved by the Board of Christian Education, and submitted to the 1954 General Convention. As presented in the *Annual Report*, 1954, and approved by the General Convention, 1954, the plan for the training of deaconesses and other church workers is as follows:

"A. The Office of the Diaconate for Women in The Evangelical Lutheran Church is that office to which women are consecrated who have been called of God to full-time Christian service. The course of training has the following prescribed requirements:

"(1) A degree from one of the colleges of the Church or from an approved institution of equivalent grade, or the equivalent of such a degree.

"(2) Academic work is to include a minor in religion and a major in an approved field. (Fields as advised by college counselor and in consultation with the Commission on the Diaconate. These will include parish work, Christian education, church music, missions, nursing, and social service.)

"(3) Application for candidacy in the Diaconate preferably by the beginning of the junior year in college. (Application is made to the Commission on the Diaconate, Department of Christian Education of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.)

"(4) Successful completion of the course of study the Christian Service Institute.

"(5) Acceptance by the colloquium committee.

"(6) Investiture and Consecration.

"A deaconess is one who, having recognized the of God to full-time Christian service and having p sued the prescribed training courses, has volunta pledged herself in the Rite of Consecration to becom servant of the Church for 'so long as God shall give grace to continue in this calling.'

"B. The proposed Christian Service Institute shall set up on the Luther Seminary campus as an eig week intensive training school on the graduate level. T course of study shall consist of studies in Christian d trine, one book study from the New Testament, book study from the Old Testament, lectures on Church today, diaconics, and counseling. In addit there shall be practical training in home and hosp visitation, Sunday school class work, and vacation chu school. A ninth and final week shall be set aside fo retreat, featuring Christian fellowship, inspiration, a dedication.

"C. The Commission on the Diaconate further reco mends that the 1954 convention authorize the Board Trustees to use undesignated legacies and/or beque up to the amount of $35,000 for acquiring of prope in the eventual establishment of a deaconess cent [Recommendation approved.]

"D. For the annual budget of promoting the Diacon and for the operation of the Christian Service Institu the Commission on the Diaconate recommends:

Teaching staff	$ 1,200
Scholarships (20 estimate)	2,000
Remuneration to seminary for housing	400
Field worker, recruiting and promotion	3,600
Travel	1,500
Retreat	400
Promotional material, visual aids, miscellaneous	2,100
	$11,700

[Recommendation approved.]"

Now that the Church has approved the proposed pl for the training of deaconesses and other church worke the Commission on the Diaconate will endeavor to p the program into operation without delay. Deacone Shirley Barns will continue as field representative of t Commission. She will speak at conventions, Bible cam and institutes, at our colleges and academies. Furthe more, she will be available for consultation by cc

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EDITORIALS

l Skaarsheim

e obituary of Albert J. Skaarsheim appears in this e. Yes, Albert was his name; however, you would e difficulty in finding anyone around church head- rters or Augsburg Publishing House who ever called ı that. All the years he lived and worked here with he was "Al," and that he will continue to be in memories as long as we live.

l gave his entire life to the service of the organized ırch. He came to church headquarters before the ion and at first worked for Augsburg Publishing use. At that time the Publishing House and the surer's office of the United Norwegian Lutheran ırch were under one head. When he returned from tracted Army service during World War I, the ion of 1917 was an accomplished fact and the trea- er's office and Augsburg Publishing House were ler separate direction. Al then began working under treasurer, and he continued in various capacities in office until the time of his death. He had a title a time, that of "assistant treasurer." As a matter of , however, he was the chief accountant of the trea- er's office and probably knew more about the in- acies and details of the finances of The Evangelical heran Church than any man living.

l was stricken in the midst of a task he particularly ed—that of having a part in the registration at the eral convention of the Church. Over many, many rs he presided at the cash box when the men regis- d for the convention. In that way he came to know ndreds and hundreds, possibly even thousands, of the tors and lay people of The Evangelical Lutheran ırch.

'or the older pastors, their first acquaintanceship with was made before they were entitled to be members the general convention. One of his many tasks was visit Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul once ear and receive from each of us the little sum of ney which at that time we paid to the Church, a of combination "tuition and room rent" fund which purely nominal. There are a good many hundreds us pastors of the Church who first saw Al sitting a table in the reception room of the old building at her Theological Seminary.

)ne of Al's closest friends characterized him as "one the unsung heroes of the Church." It is not difficult understand what he had in mind. Al was one of those who just plugged away day after day, year in and year out, doing one of those jobs that does not put a man in the forefront where he gets the attention and acquires the honor and prestige. Nevertheless, it is the Als of the Church who actually carry the burden of the work. Be it man or woman, without the Als, the work would simply not be done.

It may be said that, next to his home, Al's life was The Evangelical Lutheran Church. To it he rendered a service which can never be over-emphasized and the importance of which can never be exaggerated.

He was a quiet man—this friend of ours, Al. I do not think I ever heard him say an unkind word about anyone or anything. I can not remember ever hearing him raise his voice in anger. He was respected and loved for the qualities which make up a great Christian personality.

These lines are intended, of course, first and foremost as a little tribute from all of us who worked with Al Skaarsheim. Do they not, however, go a bit farther than that? Do they not also include a tribute to all the Als of the Church—to the men and women whose day by day faithfulness in the stewardship God has given them makes the work of the Church continue? There are many "unsung heroes" and "heroines" of the Church. Out among the hundreds of thousands of members of the Church, their names are probably not known at all. Yet they are the most faithful and the most useful servants the Church has. God bless the memory of Al and God strengthen all the other Als of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

One of our Spiritual Treasures

AN EDITORIAL BOOK REVIEW

One of the spiritual treasures of our Church a generation ago was a volume of simple sermons entitled in Norwegian *Synd og Naade*. Author was one of the best known and deeply loved men of the Church, the late Dr. J. N. Kildahl. The book consisted of sermons on one of the gospel series used in the Church. These sermons were sixty-three in number and covered all the Sundays and major festival days of the church year. Published in 1912, it became one of the "staples" of the spiritual diet in thousands of homes where the Norwegian language was used.

As an illustration of how much this volume came to mean to many, the writer likes to tell about his mother

who, for years almost without number, made it a practice to read the proper sermon each Sunday morning immediately after breakfast. That was as much a part of her Sunday life as was her attendance at church. She literally knew each of those sermons by heart. There were doubtless thousands who used the book equally assiduously.

Now *Synd og Naade* is available again, but in the language of today. Augsburg Publishing House has produced it in translation with the title *Concerning Sin and Grace*. (Price, $4.75.) The translator is the Rev. B. H. J. Habel, Inwood, Iowa. Pastor Habel needs no introduction to readers of Lutheran Herald. He has written a great deal for this paper over the years, and he has produced a number of splendid translations and also original volumes. He is without doubt one of the most competent translators we have.

Concerning Sin and Grace is, as already remarked, a collection of sermons. As the reviewer read them, remembering the Norwegian original, he was struck by the fact that they are fully as readable in the English language as they were in the Norwegian. There is the same directness and simplicity, the same plain setting forth of the simple truth of God's revelation. It would not be easy to categorize Dr. Kildahl's preaching. Some of the sermons one would characterize as "topical," others as "expository." However, one rather gets the feeling that he did not have a well-defined technique of preaching but rather used what seemed to be needed at the time.

It is a real joy to know that Kildahl's book is available again. It will, without a doubt, be well received. One remembers what some of the members of the old Hauge Synod said about Dr. Kildahl before the Union of 1917, "Han er grei" ("He is straightforward"). It is that straightforwardness which makes his writings so deeply loved. Very little of it has been lost in translation, which surely speaks well for the masterful piece of work the translator has done.

Correction

The editor's attention has been called to an error of fact in the part of his Convention story appearing in the issue of June 22. There it is stated that ". . . the Reverend R. A. Ofstedal . . . requested twenty-five minutes to reply to Dr. Gullixson." This is incorrect. Pastor Ofstedal's request was for *ten* minutes. The Convention voted that he be given this amount of time. Dr. Aasgaard, however, ruled that Pastor Ofstedal might use whatever time he needed.

Our correction has been delayed by the fact that this error was not called to our attention until the "plant vacation" had begun. This is the first issue available since the shops re-opened.

Certain Uncertainty

Harold B. Kil

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
August 15, 1954
Text: Luke 12:42-48

Paradoxes serve useful purposes. The paradox gested by the text is no exception. Two great Chris principles grow out of the word for this day. The f Christ will come again.

This is a truth that none of us should forget, altho it may be truly stated that forgetfulness is one of besetting sins of men. The Psalmist reminded his ple "to forget not all His benefits," urging them and on in remembrance. Likewise, the Apostle and Lord Himself have left words of urgent reminder Christians to "stir them up and put them in rem brance." It is true, as the Apostle declared, that if in this life we have hoped, we are really to be pitied, then we live in delusion under the cloud of spiri phantasy. But it is not only this life that concerns us. not only this world that is our home. We look for city to come, whose builder and maker is God. And can put it down—Christ will come again. The day, hour, the moment? These are hidden in the misty that separates the mind of God from the mind of m He will come again. This is our certainty. Let it ne be forgotten.

Coupled with this certainty is the uncertainty of time. No one knows. No one can know. This is a bl ing. If we knew, if we could spend our lives now the certain expectancy of His coming at the predic time, life would lose its charm and we would liv ghoulish life at best, for living faith and Christian l would never be put to the test.

Therefore, Christians, as you live from day to with this certain uncertainty revealed by God, be wat ful, be in remembrance, be faithful in hearing, heedi and doing the will of God in life. Above all, live to as though it were your last day, and you will live as prepared for His coming. You know the truth. Y know the way. You know what the Lord requires you. Knowledge in itself does not provide clear pass from earth to heaven. Not everyone who says "Lo Lord" shall enter into the Kingdom, but he that do the will of God. Again, as so often in the teachings the Savior, the emphasis is on the doing of the v of God. You see it, I am sure—knowledge provides clear passage, and ignorance is no excuse. The ba question will be, and the final judgment rendered v be based on the answer given to the question: "W Christ real to you, and did your life reflect His reality If Christ is real, the certainty of His return is yo crowning blessing, and all uncertainty has been remov Pray God that this blessing may be yours. Amen.

Panama—First Port of Call

Rolf A. Syrdal

Colombia, South America, is again on my itinerary. Enroute to a meeting of Lutherans in Brazil sponsored by the Division of Latin America of the Lutheran World Federation, members of the division had their itineraries arranged so that important points pertaining to the work in Latin America would be visited. I was able to leave a little early to spend some time with our missionaries in Colombia, falling into the regular itinerary when arriving here.

I left Minneapolis June 23, going by way of Houston, Texas, and Panama. All went well, but it was hot in Houston, where I spent half a day waiting for the right plane to Panama. Delayed in loading as we left New Orleans, we arrived almost an hour late in Panama, not in time to see my six a.m. flight for Medellin leave the airport. That meant a stay of one day in Panama. Dr. Alf Borge, missionary under appointment to Madagascar, who is doing residency at the Gorgas Hospital in Panama, was there to meet me. As the fault of my delay was with the airlines, they put me up at the hotel for my stay. In one way it was pleasant to have a little time to rest along the way and to meet people in Panama. Dr. Borge was busy at the hospital but made most excellent arrangements for me. The Rev. H. T. Bernthal, service pastor of the U. S. Forces for the Missouri Synod and pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church, came to the hotel to get me in his car and showed me the city and the area. We followed the Panama Canal across from Panama City on the Pacific to Cristobal on the Atlantic, a scenic trip full of interest. At Cristobal we visited the home of the American Bible Society, and the secretary, the Rev. J. Guillermo Limkemann, took us through the home and told us something about the work of the Society. This is the headquarters for Bible distribution in Central America, and much of the work is carried on by colporteurs who travel about from place to place selling Scripture portions. Many of these men live self-sacrificing lives, meeting opposition and danger from fanatic groups they meet along the way. He told how tens of thousands of Scripture portions had recently been sold in Guatemala City alone. The work of the Bible Society helps missions of all creeds in their work and is always a helpful ally to the missionary.

After looking over the city of Cristobal and Colon we drove back to the service center maintained for our

Pastor Bernthal outside the service center

service men and to the beautiful church served by Pastor Bernthal. The evening was spent at the hospital with Dr. Borge, who was on call but who left long enough for a bit to eat and later to take me to the hotel. It had been a day full of interest as we saw work done and the men who did the work for the benefit of the people located in Panama. One thing that was, however, borne out was the lack of work on the part of Lutherans among the native Panamanians in their own language. This is one of the many areas of the world where we are not at work—and where there is insufficient witness of the saving Word of God.

Leaving Panama at one o'clock the afternoon of the 25th, I arrived in Bogota at five the same day. A stay of one hour at Medellin, where I would have attended meetings the previous night if I had not missed connections, meant a brief meeting with the Rev. Arnfeld Morck, our missionary (of the UELC) in that city, and with the Rev. Herman Mueller, who lives in Cali but was there for special meetings on Sunday with the European Colony. He began the work among the German groups in Bogota, where there is now a congregation numbering 1,000 members, and later attended our seminary in America, being ordained by our Church before returning to his work. The Rev. Archie Morck of Canada, who will be my travel companion for the rest of the time in South America, joined me in Medellin.

Our busy program started as soon as we arrived in Bogota. Our first stop was our new Lutheran church in Bogota. We went there right from the airport. I had been along in the purchase of this lot three years ago

and was, of course, delighted to see a fine church building now standing there as a witness that there is a Lutheran Church with its direct message of sin and grace in Christ in the heart of this Roman Catholic-dominated country. I was very happy with the building, its simple lines adding to its nobility. Although the building was a project of the WMF of our Church, part of the furnishings were bought by the native congregations, though most of the members are here as refugees, having had to leave their homes because of the anti-Protestant persecution. Their part included the chancel equipment—altar, pulpit, and baptismal font made by Colombian craftsmen of native cedar. We hope to tell more about this church building as we will be meeting in it before we leave Colombia. We felt at home there, being welcomed by Pastor and Mrs. Gerhard Ostrem, who live in the parsonage and are in charge of the work.

We then went to the Harold Olson home for a chance to clean up, and then to the Bible Institute where the teachers and students had arranged a real feast and fine program for us. It was a pleasure to be at the stitute again. When I was here three years ago, we w in rented quarters. Now we have our own building large Colombian residence arranged for school There is a fine student body with two Americans two Colombians on the faculty. In this institution, s ported by the LDR, we are training the teachers, Bi women, and the evangelists for work on our miss field. There is a fine spirit of consecration among students. Most of them have gone through the perse tion, suffering loss of material things, but being streng ened in faith. They are happily looking forward service in the Kingdom of God, even though they kn from personal experience that such a course may m continued sacrifice and suffering. We depend on th men and women for the evangelization of their o country and are working with them and training th for this work.

We got to bed about twelve o'clock, with the ala clock set for five so we could catch a six o'clock bus Parpa, the next place that we were to visit.

Chaplains Are Needed!

The Office of the Military Chaplaincy Commission, ELC, Chaplain Gynther Storaasli, director, has received the following news release from the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel, Washington, D. C. ELC pastors who can meet the age requirement and are interested in the military chaplaincy are requested to contact the Director of the Military Chaplaincy Commission, 421 S. Fourth Street, Minneapolis 15, Minn.

The Office of the Chief of Air Force Chaplains has requested a quota of ten (10) National Lutheran Council chaplains for active duty immediately. In addition to these, the Air Force will require a replacement for each of the chaplains coming off active duty.

The following are the qualifications for receiving an Air Force Reserve Commission:

(1) The candidate must not have attained his 34th birthday;

(2) He must be able to pass a final-type physical examination;

(3) He must be willing to come to active duty immediately for a minimum of three years.

The Office of the Chief of Navy Chaplains anticipates having a number of continuing vacancies for chaplains who apply for their original commissions.

The following are the qualifications for receiving a Navy Reserve Commission:

(1) The candidate must not be over 33½ years old, except veterans who may add the number of mont of active duty served previously to raise this age to t 36-year maximum;

(2) The candidate must be able to pass a final-ty physical examination;

(3) Length of tour of duty for veterans who saw tive duty prior to May, 1945—17 months; for all othe 24 months.

While the Army does not require any chaplains f extended active duty at the present time, there are large number of Reserve and National Guard un where chaplain vacancies exist. It is recommended th eligible clergymen visit the nearest Reserve headqua ters or National Guard armory to discover the loc needs for this ministry.

The following are the requirements for receiving Reserve or National Guard Commission:

(1) The candidate must not have reached his 33 birthday;

(2) He must pass an appointment-type physical e amination.

The Army strongly encourages all interested sem narians to apply for a second lieutenancy, and the Nav earnestly desires seminarians in their second year to a ply for an ensign's commission for the chaplaincy i order that they may take their chaplain basic cours during the summer months between their middler an senior years at the seminary. Candidates must not hav passed their thirtieth birthday to qualify.

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Epistle: Romans 5:12-21

The Gospel: Matthew 11:16-24

Monday, August 16
THE MINISTRY
Read Acts 20:17-38

But I do not account my life . . . as ious to myself, if only I may accom- h my course and the ministry which I ived from the Lord Jesus. . . ."

Paul's farewell message to the elders of Church of Ephesus is both beautiful instructive. It reveals the heart of a shepherd. He is called into service by Lord Jesus for whom he spends him- and to whose glory he serves.

t is the desire of every sincere pastor how like devotion to the Lord and to his shepherding to the salvation of ple and the glory of God. He seeks al- s to remember that he is sent to be it.

o sustain him in his work, the pastor eliant upon the Holy Spirit who leads empowers him. And, as the Ephesian rs were dear to Paul, so also is dear to ors today every consecrated, praying, king member of the congregation. ry member can give real support to work of the ministry by praying for giving encouragement to the shepherd he flock.

less the ministry of the Church. Amen.

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Tuesday, August 17
WOE TO JERUSALEM
Read Matthew 23:34-39

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to you! . . . Behold, your house is forsaken and desolate."

It was with a torn heart that Jesus said this about Jerusalem. For she had rejected the Messiah. She was hard-hearted and full of corruption. Instead of hearing the prophets she killed them. Instead of receiving those who were sent she stoned them. She was unrepentant and unbelieving. Therefore, she was to be "forsaken and desolate."

What a great sin it is to stop Christ! With love He comes. Some receive Him; some refuse Him. "How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!"

Each of us must ask ourselves whether we have received Christ into our lives. Are we being obedient to the working of the Holy Spirit within us? Are we repentant and in daily need of the forgiveness offered in Christ? Then, if we can answer yes, we are not under Christ's "Woe." Rather we are blessed, we are happy, we are saved.

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Wednesday, August 18
BE TRUE!
Read Jeremiah 7:1-11

"Will you steal . . . and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, 'We are delivered!'—only to go on doing all these abominations?"

All the way from childhood up through maturity and to the end of life, a trait admired by all righteous people is consistency. To be true, to be what you appear to be, to live in agreement with what you say you believe, that is what it means to be consistent. Jeremiah puts his finger on a deception the people of his day were practicing. They lived in sin, then came into the temple with the feeling that their presence in the House of God would cancel out whatever wrong they had done. Or at least they would appear to be righteous.

How often people outside the Church say about others who attend church services: "I wonder why he goes to church? He cheats at his business all week long, then he goes to church on Sunday to make a good appearance."

Let us be true! Let us love God, obey Him, and serve Him in truth and sincerity.

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Thursday, August 19
BOLDNESS TO SPEAK
Read Acts 4:8-19

Whether it is right in the sight of l to listen to you rather than to God, must judge; for we cannot but speak what we have seen and heard."

This is the answer Peter and John gave hose who threatened them for preach- and healing in the Name of Jesus. It a remarkable thing to say in the face he opposition. The "rulers and elders scribes" were against them. They had d them to account, threatened them, told them to cease from their preach- and healing. And this is the answer! y were filled with boldness to speak. t is this boldness that has always ex- led the Kingdom. The prophets spoke n they knew it meant personal danger themselves. Jesus spoke without fear. ry true reformer who has sought to ore purity to the Church has spoken inst the wishes and plans of those in hority. They have been bold. And it is Spirit who gives this needed strength. All Christians must be bold to speak of at they have seen and heard!

Friday, August 20
HOUSE OF PRAYER
Read Matthew 21:12-22

"My house shall be called a house of prayer."

Jesus was truly saddened at the misuse of the temple in Jerusalem. The place of worship had become a buzzing market. In a demonstration of His concern, He took physical action and drove out the sellers and the buyers, and overturned the tables and chairs. Then, when the temple was cleansed, "the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them." It was again a house of prayer.

The Church is foremost a "meeting place with God." Its altar says so, and its cross. It is a place of prayer, praise, and thanksgiving; a place where the Word is taught and preached and the Sacraments are administered. It is not wrong that other honorable and God-glorifying things go on in the church; but if they take the place of, or become more important than the "first" things, they are wrong. I want my Church to be the Church, and I will use it and love it as such. To me it will always be a house of prayer. And thus it will serve God and my fellowmen.

Saturday, August 21
UNDER GOD'S CARE
Read Deuteronomy 32:1-10

"He found him in a desert land, and in the howling waste of the wilderness; he encircled him, he cared for him, he kept him as the apple of his eye."

In poetic terms Moses describes what the Lord has done for His Chosen People. The transformation has been marked. He has found them in a wilderness and established them in a fruitful land. They have enjoyed a special love and been given special care.

To be under God's care is to dwell safely. God's interest is for the good of all mankind. Especially is He anxious to provide His fatherly care for those who depend on Him. Under this care they are at peace and rest. Here, too, is prosperity and growth.

How good to know that God cares! No matter what experiences we must bear in life, we have the assurance that God is with us. We are kept as the "apple of his eye." At all times we must be grateful to our heavenly Father for His love and show our utter dependence upon His love and mercy.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. C

DEKT RALLY IN LEIPZIG

The first German Evangelical Church Day (DEKT) rally ever held in the Soviet zone was held in Leipzig in mid-July with thousands of Protestants (largely Lutheran, of course) from East and West Germany in attendance. The opening service saw some 75,000 present and the closing service saw some 400,000 gathered about a huge cross. Dr. Reinold van Thadden-Trieglaff, president of DEKT, said in his opening message that although political conferences had failed to bring the reunification of Germany any closer, the DEKT movement had succeeded in re-establishing contact between believers in the East and the West. "This," he added, "obliges us to proceed on our way and discover even greater possibilities of strengthening the community of believers across the border."

Following the opening service the Leipzig City Council gave a reception for the church leaders which was attended by the president of the East German Parliament.

A "Meet Your Brother" night, traditional at all these rallies, was held on the eve of the closing day. Relatives and friends separated by Germany's partition were enabled to find one another for brief reunions by gathering under placards and posters designating common home districts. Many moving scenes were enacted as old friends came together. The evening closed with some 10,000 Evangelical young people, clasping hands around a towering cross under the Stalin statue, chanting in unison, "We stand with Christ—He will not let us be destroyed."

DEAF PRIEST PRAISES U. S. SIGN LANGUAGE

The first totally deaf priest to be ordained in the Roman Catholic Church, the Very Rev. Canon William J. Hayward of Salford, England, told a press conference in New York that he planned to import the American sign language to England because it is "infinitely superior" to that employed in the British Isles. "It is easier to learn and understand," he said. "It is more defining, clearer and more elaborate. Our system in England is based on pictures of ideas instead of letters and is very incomplete. In America you can make signs, word for word, and we cannot."

The English priest was ordained in 1927, by special dispensation. He has started centers for the deaf in various parts of England and Scotland.

OHIO TOWN BOARD CHARGED WITH EXCLUDING CHURCHES

The town of Meridian Hills, an exclusive Indianapolis suburb, is not opening its arms to groups who want to build new churches or synagogues, or at least the town board is accused of holding such a position. The accuser is James L. Murray, former member of the zoning board of the town. In 1952 the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation won a court reversal of the zoning board's refusal to issue a permit for a new temple. The town, however, has prevented construction starting condemnation proceedings acquire the congregation's 22 acre land.

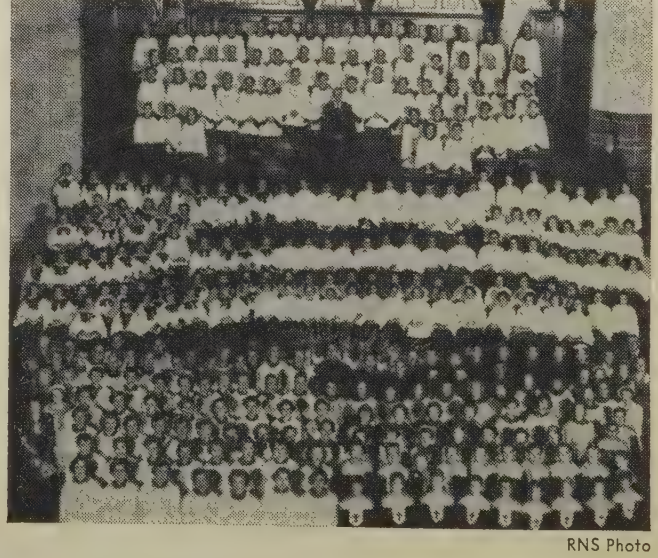
Now, Mr. Murray charges, the t board has delayed three months o application for a building permit the Indianapolis Second Presbyte Church "for the purpose of defea it." Church attorneys said it would difficult to go to court until the bo had acted on the application.

Three other churches which property in Meridian Hills are awai the outcome of the present dispute fore applying for building permits. hearings on the Jewish applica some citizens of the town expressed position to construction of any churc

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

The Philip Murray Memorial Fou tion announced a grant of $200,000 the National Council of Churches be used "on behalf of the practical plication of religious principles to everyday world of economic life."

CONGREGATION HAS SIX CHOIRS



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First Presbyterian Church in Hollywood, largest congregation of its denomination in world, supports six choirs. The 350-voice groups include a choir of tots, juniors, junior h school, high school and college students, an adult chancel choir, and a 70 voice cathed choir. Director and guiding spirit of the choirs is Dr. Charles C. Hirt, widely-known a conductor of choral music, lecturer, and choral adjudicator; he is assisted by his wife, w specializes in the junior-aged choirs.

Progress Report

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)ondence or by appointment at the Education Office.
: Women's Missionary Federation and the Lutheran
ighters of the Reformation, who have given financial
port to this work during the past several years, have
in pledged their prayerful support of the program.
:y have also generously voted in their respective con-
tions to continue their financial support of the dia-
ate project.

'he colleges through their representatives will study
r course offerings with a view to providing that
ch will be most helpful in preparation for service in
Church as a deaconess or in some other capacity.

The Christian Service Institute will be set up and put into operation during the summer months as soon as candidates apply for admission. The instruction in the Institute is planned for college graduates and will require intensive application, concentrated study, and research. The candidates will live together in one of the larger residences on the campus. The teaching staff will be composed of men and women, specialists in their respective fields.

A limited number of scholarships will be made available to students preparing for the diaconate.

Further information may be obtained from the office of the Board of Christian Education at 422 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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he Rev. Martin J. Lien has termi-
d a 31-year pastorate at Boyd,
n., and has moved to Minneapolis.

he Rev. O. G. Salveson, former
ident of Clifton College, Clifton,
as, has accepted a call to Bethle-
Church, Hills, Minn., and will
n his pastorate there about Sept. 1.

he Rev. Arthur S. Johnson, River
s, Wis., was elected chaplain of the
erican Legion Department of Wis-
in, at its recent convention in
lison. He is a veteran navy chap-

he Rev. Sherman I. Korshavn, now
Long Beach, Calif., was married
: 4 to Miss Frances Iverson of
gmont, Colo., parish worker in
ity Church, Hawthorne, Calif.

he Rev. Rolf D. Boe was installed
18 as pastor of Kviteseid Church,
n, Minn., by District President
ertson. The service was followed
a reception at which a purse of
ey was presented the pastor and
family.

he Rev. Orion A. Anderson, Pu-
i, Wis., has accepted a call to
rside Church, Sioux City, Iowa.

he Rev. O. O. Bjorgan, Goodridge,
n., has for health reasons resigned
his parish and is moving to Lu-
e, Minn.

he Rev. S. L. Tallakson will dur-
the coming year serve as interim
or at Boyceville, Wis.

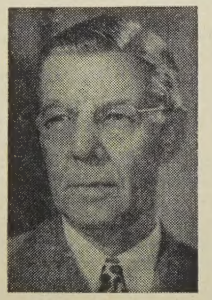
he Rev. John W. Spann, formerly
he ULCA, now accepted into the
ministerium, is the new pastor of
Good Shepherd Church, Salinas,
f.

he Rev. Olin C. Fjelstad was re-
ly given a 21-inch television set at
ception for him by Trinity Church, Owatonna, Minn., the occasion being the 25th anniversary of his beginning his parish ministry there.

OBITUARIES

Albert J. Skaarsheim

Albert J. Skaarsheim, who since 1916 had been an accountant in the service of the treasurer of The Evangelical Lutheran Church, died July 9, 63 years of age. While attending an evening session of the general convention of the Church in June he suffered



a severe heart attack, after which he was hospitalized up to the time of his death. At his funeral, which took place July 12 at Bethlehem Church, Minneapolis, Dr. J. A. Aasgaard and Dr. H. O. Shurson, under whose direction he had worked for so many years, paid tribute to his faithful service. He was a native of Madelia, Minn. Survivors are his wife, his mother and three sisters.

The Rev. I. M. Rotto

The Rev. Isaac M. Rotto, pastor at Portland, N. Dak., since 1940, passed away July 18. He was born Feb. 23, 1903, in Pope County, Minnesota. He was graduated from Luther College in 1925 and from Luther Theological Seminary in 1931. Prior to coming to the Portland parish he served as pastor at Berthold, N. Dak. He is survived by his wife, nee Irene Raftshol.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wanted: Five 14-ft. pews or ten 7 ft. pews by small rural church. Contact Mrs. Ove Sandboe, McHenry, N. Dak.

For Sale: 12 colored church windows, framed, at $20 a piece or $150 for all. Write Arthur H. Nelson, or Willie Velo, Pelican Rapids, Minn.

To be given away: One altar with altar piece, one altar rail, one pulpit, by Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Warren, Minn. Write John Pearson, 8 Montana St., Warren, Minn.

For Sale: Pulpit, altar, communion rail, font, and 13 pews. Write Helmer Sanderson, R. 3, Sisseton, S. Dak.

For Sale: White taffeta surplice, large size. Contact **Lutheran Herald.**

Wanted: Used pews in good condition. State finish and price. Write or call Henry Langaas, R. 1, B. 37, Greenbush, Minn.

Wanted: Couple or two single persons to serve as cook and farm helper; also director of program activities, preferably group worker; and a remedial teacher—public and Christian education. Write the Rev. A. J. Brakke, Bethesda Children's Home, Beresford, S. Dak.

Pondera Valley Church, Conrad, Mont., will celebrate its 40th aniversary Sept. 23-26.

Fillmore Circuit LDR and LCR will meet in fall convention Aug. 16, 6:00 p.m. at Spring Grove Church. Slides from Japan will be shown by Dorothea Ofstedal.

For Sale: Wurlitzer organ, like new. Two standard 61-note keyboards. 25-note pedal clavier. Automatic tone controls. Self-contained speaker, with pro-

visions for a variety of extra tone cabinets. A bargain at $1,500. Terms can be arranged. G. W. Aasgaard, Lake Mills, Iowa.

The annual business meeting of the **Augustana Academy Association** will be held in the Lande Memorial Library on the campus at Canton, South Dakota, Monday evening, August 16, at 8 o'clock.

Samuel Carlsen
President, Augustana Academy

Acknowledgment—The Department of Stewardship acknowledges with thanks a contribution of $20.00 to the Budget and $20.00 to Lutheran World Action. These amounts in currency were enclosed in an envelope, without name, postmarked Valley City, North Dakota, July 9, 1954.

The ELC Treasurer's Office acknowledges with sincere thanks the anonymous gift of $100 for Lutheran World Action, addressed to the Foreign Mission office and postmarked Boyd, Minnesota.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS FOR PASTORS

D. D. Danielson, Chaplains' School, School Commons, BOQD4 219, U. S. Naval Station, Newport, R. I. 7-1-54

Theodor R. Ellingboe, 6 Blvd. Chilperic, Chelles, S. et M. France 8-18-54

Carl J. Field, Hatton, N. Dak. 9-1-54

Donald G. Lee, R.R. 6, Decorah, Ia. 7-16-54

Robert M Lehman, 254 Seaman Ave., Apt. B6, New York 34, N. Y. 6-1-54

M. Lien, 808 3rd St. N., Montevideo, Minn. 7-1-54

Arthur M. Olson, 2636 Penn Ave. N. Minneapolis 11, Minn. 8-1-54

Thomas Sherman Severtson, Chaplains' Office, Admin. Command, U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Leonard E. Smestad, Park River, N. Dak. 7-28-54

Oliver L. N. Wigdahl, Meckling, S. Dak. 6-29-54

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Philip O. Blilie, Summit, S. Dak. 7-20-54

Norman D. Foster, P. O. Box 30, Lomond, Alta., Canada 7-1-54

David Genter, Rolette, N. Dak. 7-1-54

I. M. Johnson, Kelliher, Minn. 5-20-54

Lowell E. Knutson, R. R. 1, Bow, Washington

Dwane H. Shay, Artesian, S. Dak. 7-1-54

Harold O. Ward, Christine, N. Dak. 8-8-54

J. L. F. Huseth, Toronto, S. Dak. (6-2-54)

Robert M. Kompelien, 1005 Oxford Ave., Eau Claire, Wis. (7-1-54)

Harold A. Pearson, New Hampton, Iowa. (7-1-54)

Eldon C. Person, St. Hilaire, Minnesota. (7-1-54)

Palmer E. Russeth, Franklin, Minnesota. (5-31-54)

Trygve Rolf Skarsten, 863 Jersey Ave., Elizabeth, N. J. (7-5-54)

Verlyn A. Smith, Sturgis, S. Dak. (7-1-54)

Douglas A. Thorkelson, (ass't pastor) Parshall, N. Dak. (8-1-54)

PARISH CONSERVATION AND EXTENSION THROUGH . . .

THE PLACEMENT SERVICE

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FOR SALE

Farms

For sale—160 acre well improved farm in Fayette County, Iowa. Good land and road. 3 miles from market. Lutheran community. 373-1A

200 acre well improved farm for sale in Clayton County, Iowa. Located on good gravel road, 3½ miles to market. Lutheran community. 373-2A

Good farm for sale in Cass County, Minn. 4 miles to town. Can be had with or without stock of sheep and cows. Near large lake, good fishing. Very good buildings. Owner selling on account of ill health. 373-3A

210 acre grain and stock farm for sale in Red River Valley. Good buildings, elec., phone, school bus and mail route. Lutheran community. Price $1,200, part cash, terms. 373-4A

200 acre well improved farm located in Red River Valley. Modern 5 bedroom house, REA, phone, mail and school bus route, barn with elec., double garage, and other buildings. 10 miles to town. Price $17,500: $7,500 cash and terms $10,000. 373-5A

For sale—168 acre farm in Goodhue County, 2½ miles from town and ELC church on good highway. School bus route, newly constructed school. 110 acres under cultivation, 15 acres of woodland. 72 ft. barn, hog house, and modern 10-room house. 373-6A

140 acre farm for sale in Goodhue County, Minn. All tillable, quality soil. Fair buildings. Pressure system near town. School bus service. Price $22,000. 373-7A

For sale—75 acre improved farm, near town and black top location in Goodhue County, Minn. Price $14,000. 373-8A

For sale—15 acre improved farm, all tillable, and good location in Goodhue County, Minn. Ideal for retirement. Price $4,500. 373-9A

160 acre farm for sale, with large dairy barn, silo, good house, and other buildings. Level, all tillable. School bus service; near town. Price $24,000; $8,000 down to reliable operator. Goodhue County, Minnesota. 373-10A

160 acre farm, all tillable, highly improved, all modern, for sale in Goodhue County, Minnesota. Fine location. School bus service. Price, $32,000 373-11A

For sale—80 acre farm in Goodhue County, Minnesota. 4 miles from town, 2 miles from Lutheran church. All modern barn, 24 stanchions and pens, modern milk house, water system and other buildings improved. $900 worth of new fences. Modern house, new roof. 373-12A

For sale—220 acre grain and dairy farm, 7 room house, large barn with water and silo, and other buildings. Possession October 1, if desired. In Lutheran community. Price, $20,000. Goodhue County, Minnesota. 373

189 acre modern dairy farm for sal Cass County, Minnesota. REA, excellen cation, near small village. $9,000 cas $5,000 down. 373

For sale—320 acre farm in central Mi sota, 3 miles from good town and 2 Lu an churches. No waste land, all under cul tion. Very good house, barn, and other b ings. Phone and electricity, school bus ice. Price, $65 per acre. Kandiyohi Co 373

For sale—Good 160 acre dairy farm Morrison County, Minnesota. All open rocks in fields. REA, pressure system. $12 terms. Less for cash. Will also consider t for business in Oregon or Washington. 373

For sale—120 acre, well improved farm Todd County, Minnesota. Good black l soil, good buildings, REA, telephone. In theran community, ½ mile to Luth church, 2 miles to school, 4 miles to t Owners retiring. 373

For sale—Improved 160 acre farm, miles from town in Beltrami County, Mi sota. On school bus, mail, and milk r REA, good soil, 7-room house, hay 28x64 and other buildings. Near church, and school organizations. 373

For sale—fine 80 acre farm in Roberts South Dakota. Best of soil, REA, fine h house, on highway 3 miles from town. M land near by can be leased. Good spring w in pasture and barn. Phone, mail route, to school. Lutheran community. Can be for $8,000. 373

For sale—480 acre combination grain stock farm, well improved, in Roberts South Dakota. ¼ mile to school, REA, p and mail route. On highway 6 miles to t Best of soil, 380 acres in field. Fall possess Well kept large barn, 2 granaries, large h and other buildings. Reasonable terms the purchase. 373

480 acre stock farm for sale in Rob County, South Dakota. 100 acres in cult tion. Good house, large barn, spring fed ter all year. 1 mile from highway and theran church. Close to school. Fall pos sion. 373

160 acre farm for sale, 100 acres in cult tion, good soil, fair improvements. 4 m from town, 1½ miles from hard-surfa highway, 1 mile to school, 4 miles to theran church. Can be had for $25 per a Fall possession. Roberts County, South kota. 373

For sale—267 acre Grade A dairy farm central Wisconsin. All good modern bu ings, 55 head of cattle, machinery, creek r ning through farm. School bus and mail ro 4 miles from town and Lutheran church. possession. 373

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For sale or rent—105 acre farm, nearly all ler cultivation for sale in southwestern sconsin; ¼ mile to town on highway; 8 m house, fairly good buildings. 373-24A

omes

bedroom home for sale near Lake Nonis and Hiawatha in Minneapolis. Near ools and transportation. Ideal family home, ft. living room, dining room, good-sized hen, knotty pine den, etc. Gas heat. This ne belongs to a pastor's widow who needs ller quarters. 373-25B

Modern 1 bedroom home in Richfield, urb of Minneapolis. Price $4,700. Also a lot, $500. Open to trade or offer on age near Minneapolis. Shown by appointnt. 373-26B

Two modern homes, well located, with inie opportunity for sale in western Minnecity. Clay County. 373-27B

For sale—3 bedroom bungalow in small n close to Alexandria, Minnesota. Closed h, water in house; garage, hen house, 3 lots, etc. Nice location, close to church school. Nice lawn and trees. 373-28B

For sale—all modern 7 room house with cres of land within city limits. Ideal renent place. City has 3 Lutheran churches. Crosse County, Wisconsin. 373-29B

For sale—Cottage on lake at Wautoma, . Modern elec. kitchen, bath, fireplace, 3 e bedrooms, ample closet space, sunporch ng lake. Located in a pine grove on the th Shore on a high elevation. Completely ished, with aluminum boat. 373-30B

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For sale—2 family home; 5 rooms up, 5 n; sewer, water, no furnace or bath. e income property located near main street. upies half of 68x140 lot. Goodhue Coun- Minnesota. 373-31C

ine modern two-story business building, 50 on lot 50x140. Valuable corner on n street. 3 bedroom apartment on second r. Owner retiring. Ideal for hobby shop nything. Price, $10,000. Goodhue County, nesota. 373-32C

For sale—2 story duplex, 9 rooms, with 50 frontage, nice garden plot and fruit trees thriving city, Bonner County, northern o. 1 block from ELC church. Excellent entary schools and high school. Easy pay- ts. 373-33C

eneral store and bottle gas business for west of Minneapolis. Living quarters in ern building. Price $8,500. 373-34C

feat and groceries business for sale in ll northern Iowa town. Lutheran comnity, 2 blocks from Lutheran church. ner selling due to poor health. 373-35C

For sale—grocery store, Jack Sprat, com- with fixtures. Gross income last year, $100,000. Located in Lutheran commun- n northern part of Mitchell County, Iowa. 373-36C

For sale—combination furniture store and ral business in small N.E. Iowa town. sists of 2 story brick bldg. and basement pletely redecorated and remodeled, also ral chapel. 2 modern apartments over e rent at $40 per month each. New stock furniture and caskets. Gross $40,000 to 000 per year. Owner retiring and wishes ell building and all complete. Protestant n with Lutheran church. 373-37C

For sale—Established Chevrolet agency in ern Montana beauty area. Ideal spot with ness not too large to handle. Well- pped shop, large floor space. Business can purchased, real property leased on long reasonable basis or purchased outright. nty seat town. 373-38C

For sale—Garage bldg. 50x80, tile and stucco, with equipment, tools, and stock of $10,000; standard gasoline station. Only garage in town of 500 pop.; on main street; farming community in southwestern Minnesota. 2 Lutheran churches. Owner wishes to retire. Will consider some trade. $15,800. 373-39C

FOR RENT

240 acre grain and stock farm in Hamlin County, South Dakota to a young ambitious, experienced, farm couple who would like to start farming. Will rent on 50-50 livestock share lease basis. Modern home, all equipped. Near ELC church. Tenant to furnish crop and equipment. References wanted. 373-40A

Furnished room for rent in Bryn Mawr area in Minneapolis. 10 minutes to loop; near bus. Room is maple finish, S.W. location, pleasant both in winter and summer. Either young girl or boy. 373-41B

WANTED TO BUY

Small farm or acreage near Minneapolis. Must be reasonable on payments. 373-42A

Recently discharged, married, Lutheran, veteran desires to buy reasonably priced, medium-sized farm, preferably located within 75 mile radius of La Crosse, Wisconsin. 373-43A

WANTED TO RENT

160 or 200 acre farm either on cash or share basis, by experienced man, 28 years old, married and one child. 373-44A

Two girls, planning to teach in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, would like to rent apartment in Minneapolis near bus line. Would prefer one in Lake Calhoun area near Lake Street. About August 22 and 23. 373-45B

Luther Seminary student and family desire a two bedroom apartment or house in the Twin Cities. Caretaking preferred. 373-46B

POSITIONS WANTED

Seminary student would like position in the Twin Cities as caretaker of an apartment building in exchange for apartment. Has wife and two children. 373-48E

Married Luther Seminary student needs part time work afternoons or evenings. Will do anything from dish washer on up. 373-49E

Luther College graduate desires position as social science teacher and athletic coach. 373-50E

Experienced, middle-aged man desires music teaching position in good-sized Minnesota town. Has M. M.E. degree. Married, Lutheran. 373-51E

Pre-sem student, with wife, desires caretaker's position in church or home in Twin Cities or suburb in exchange for apartment and compensation. Has 4th class boilers license. 373-52E

Competent woman, age 36, desires housekeeper position in Minneapolis, where daughter, age 7, must attend special school. 373-53D

HELP WANTED

Two fourth grade teachers needed in eastern Oregon town for the fall term of school. Lutheran church in community. Send full name and address with qualifications. 373-54F

Housekeeper needed in south Minneapolis. One who will take complete charge for one adult. This is a place for someone who wants a good home. No practical nursing necessary. 373-55F

Mother with child wanted for light housekeeping and to care for 1 child while mother teaches. Four other school-age children. Must be a capable person. Golden Valley, Minneapolis. 373-56F

Woman wanted to care for elderly lady and do light housework in a modern home in small town in southwestern Minnesota. Must be neat and pleasant. Lutheran community. 373-58F

Practical nurse wanted for semi-paralyzed woman. To live in if desired. Bloomington, Minneapolis. 373-57F

Teacher in Moorhead, Minn., wants a Christian woman to care for an invalid mother while she teaches. More for a home than wages. 373-59F

Medical and surgical instructor needed to fill vacancy on school of nursing staff in a southern Minnesota hospital. 373-60F

Man and wife interested in working with group of 15 to 20 boys wanted as cottage parents in ELC children's home. Third worker in cottage as assistant and relief worker. Also needed: housemother for girls. Good pay, Social Security, medical and hospital insurance. Must be in good health. 373-61F

Wanted—Group worker for teen age dept. in a Lutheran neighborhood house. Must be college graduate. Experience not necessary. In central Michigan. 373-62F

Matron wanted to operate modern 100-room home for the aged. State qualifications. In eastern Wisconsin. 373-63F

Parish visitor-youth director needed in southern California mission congregation. Some office and Sunday school work also expected. Youth work experience and driving ability both required. 373-64F

Parish worker needed in northeastern Iowa congregation. Services expected consist of office, help with organizations, visitation, and parish education. 373-65F

Parish worker needed for office work, visitation, parish education, advising youth, and possibly music in northeastern Illinois. Pleasant personality with interest in others. 373-66F

Christian day school teacher needed for one or two of the lower grades in new ELC school in the capital city of California. 373-67F

Kindergarten teacher needed for Lutheran day nursery in Chicago beginning August 23. Degree in kindergarten training required. Modern and well-equipped day nursery. 373-68F

Christian man or boy, desiring a good home, wanted as companion for man on farm in west central Minnesota. Board and room furnished. 373-69G

Middle-aged, dependable man wanted to do chores and work around farm in western Minnesota. No drinking. 373-70G

Barber wanted in Lutheran community, western Minnesota. 373-71G

Doctor wanted to locate in modern city of 1,000 in Red River Valley in North Dakota. New modern clinic building. Attractive proposition offered. 373-72G

Wanted: Christian dentist interested in practice of orthodontia in large West Coast city. Experience unnecessary. Experienced orthodontist has more than he can handle alone and would like to find someone to gradually take over. 373-73G

Opening for young man desiring to learn the lumber business. Must be able to do bookkeeping and have some knowledge of drawing building plans. In central North Dakota town of 2,500. Good schools. State age and salary desired. 373-74G

Kindergarten or 1st grade teaching position open in Texas for consecrated Christian lady. Starting salary $300 per month. Possibility of some church work in directing choirs and playing for church services. 373-75F

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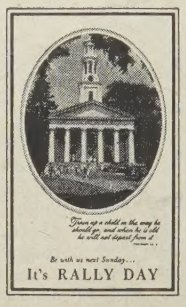

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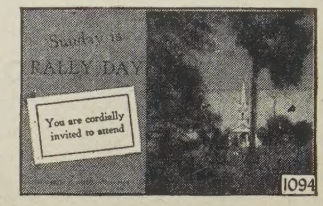

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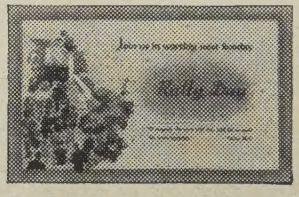

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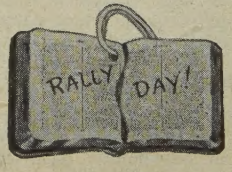

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